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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
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EIT DRENT, ROELOF VAN GINKEL,)
and WILLEM W. JAGER)
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Serial No. 10/670,105)
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Filed September 24, 2003)
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PROCESS FOR THE HYDROFORMYLATION)
OF AN ETHYLENICALLY UNSATURATED)
COMPOUND)
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Group Art Unit: 1621

Examiner: Marialouisa Lao

September 15, 2006

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement and election of species of August 25, 2006, the Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-20, drawn to a process of hydroformylation, for prosecution in this application. This election is made with traverse.

The Examiner has also required an election of species from among the diphosphine ligands and the catalysts comprising the corresponding diphosphine ligands. The Applicants hereby elect the species of claim 22 wherein the R group represents a bivalent cycloalkane group.

Respectfully submitted,

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